

# City Manager's Weekly Update

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** Robert Clark, City Manager

**DATE:** November 21, 2014 **SUBJECT:** Weekly Update

## **Telecommunications Facilities Outreach Process**

As previously noted, the Federal Guidelines for telecommunications faculties have been revised effective in mid-February, and they somewhat further restrict the ability of cities to regulate such facilities. In order to maximize our control we need to update our Ordinance. A public workshop led by our Special Counsel, Jonathan Kramer, is scheduled on January 20. A public hearing and introduction of the new Ordinance is scheduled at the February 10 meeting. Mr. Kramer has also recommended that we solicit industry input in advance of all this. Mr. Kramer, the City Attorney and staff will meet with industry representatives in December for this purpose.

## City Council Goals

We normally review and update the City Council goals/priorities in advance of the budget preparation time. I have scheduled a discussion item on the February 24 agenda to start this process. Council goals have a major impact on the budget. For example, Council has elected to keep staffing levels very lean and use the growth in transient occupancy tax to fund extensive deferred maintenance of roads and other infrastructure. This decision has resulted in a \$1 million paving project in 2014, which will be followed by another \$1 million paving project in 2015. There have also been major rehabilitation projects at the Museum and Sarzotti Park that could not have been funded without this policy. We have also gradually reduced administrative staffing, and increased Community Development staffing in response to City Council priorities to complete special projects in that area.

# New Recreation Website

On Wednesday, the Ojai Recreation Department launched its new and improved website. The URL address is still the same: www.ojairec.com. Please visit our web page and check out all the changes. We have some great photos of our recreation participants and a link to our Facebook page with program updates.

# Youth Basketball

Our youth basketball season begins this Saturday, November 22 with our player rating/evaluation, and in the evening, we will have our Family Movie Night featuring, *Home Alone*. Details of the Family Movie Night can be found on the home page of our new website: www.ojairec.com

#### **Public Works Update**

Storm channels and catch basins are being cleared, including trash grate cleaning, in preparation of the rainy season. In addition, the Holiday tree at the "Y" was trimmed and the star was raised to assist the Help of Ojai for the upcoming tree lighting.

#### Upcoming Agendas

The tentative upcoming agendas are listed below.

# **November 25** (Cancelled-Happy Thanksgiving)

## **December 9**

Announcement of Election Results

Reorganization of City Council

Presentation

**HPC Award (Tim Andrews)** 

#### Consent

Retiree Medical Pre-Funding

MOU: Ventura River Algae Monitoring

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Trash Franchise

Retiree Medical Trust Fund

Cal Recycle Grant

Arts Commission Award

Commissioner Attendance Report

## **Public Hearing**

Water Well Moratorium-Potential Extension

Skate Park Security Ordinance (Confiscation)

# Discussion

Final Audit Report

Lighting Fund (Accounting Adjustment)

Web Design Contract

**Traffic Mitigation Fees** 

**Encroachment Fees** 

# **December 23** (Cancelled)

# January 13

Consent

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Skate Park Ordinance

Discussion

Council Assignments to Regional Boards

2<sup>nd</sup> Unit Compliance Program

Pennant Policy

## January 20 (6pm)

**Telecommunications Workshop** 

# **January 27**

6:00 pm: Arts Commission Joint Workshop

**Public Hearing** 

Tree Trimming Ordinance

Discussion Items

Directors Exemption/Zoning Clearances/Cultural Resources/General Plan Conformity

Development Fees/Building Fees

Successor Agency: Discussion

**ROPS 15-16 A** 

**Housing Successor Agency** 

Affordable Housing Options

# February 10

6:00 pm: HPC Joint Workshop

**Public Hearing** 

Introduction of Telecommunications Facility Ordinance

Discussion Items

Political Signs Policy

Grading and Drainage Fees

Successor Agency: Discussion

ROPS 15-16 A

Housing Successor Agency

Affordable Housing Options

# February 24

Consent

Adoption of Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance

**Public Hearing** 

Discussion Items

City Council Goals/Budget Schedule

Administrative Fees